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**THE COLUMBIA INSTITUTION
FOR THE DEAF**

*TO THE
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YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1947*



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DEPARTMENT OF ARTICULATION AND NORMAL INSTRUCTION

1946-1947

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GALLAUDET COLLEGE STUDENTS

Alabama.—York.*Arizona.*—Nugent, Richards.*Arkansas.*—Thompson, Ward, West.*California.*—Berg, Chester, Collins, Elmassian, Halloran, Hartmann, Hoare, Kirkpatrick, Lee, Norton, Parsons, Ross, Shaffer, Stanley, Wilson.*Colorado.*—Fishler.*Connecticut.*—Fitts, Gallagher, Lose, Norwood, Petersen, Stecker.*Delaware.*—Firebaugh.*District of Columbia.*—Bowling, Folsom, Holtzman, Minor, G. Scott, M. Scott.*Georgia.*—Barber, Freret.*Illinois.*—Nathan, Scharle, B. Taylor.*Indiana.*—Butler, Dezelan, Jones, Major, Massey, R. Miller, S. Miller, Schick, Swain.*Kansas.*—Carter, Kahn, Sponable.*Kentucky.*—McDaniel, Wright.*Maryland.*—Barnett, Hines, Quidas.*Michigan.*—Cherniawski, Cordano, Hetterly, Jordan, Konno, Kuntze, Leitson, Sivyver.*Minnesota.*—Broecker, Busch, Frick, Hatten, *Kjeldahl, Kopecky, Lux, Oja, Taubert, Younggren.

* Leave of absence

Missouri.—Carter, Guenther, Krpan, M. F. Miller, A. Stack, P. Stack.
Montana.—Hoevear, V. Miller.
Nebraska.—Broz, M. Cuscaden, T. Cuscaden, Ruge, Snyder.
New Jersey.—Holonya, Hutchinson, Yowen.
New York.—Benowitz, Denis, Goldenberg, Hugnes, Newman, Ramger, Schuster, Williamson, Zuk.
North Carolina.—*DeLozier, James.
North Dakota.—Halvorsen, Kelsch, Wait.
Ohio.—Bushey, Erickson, George, Hodock, Meadows, Squire, Stakley.
Oregon.—Fleck, Pettit.
Pennsylvania.—Babinetz, Stedrak, Vasnick, Vivino.
South Carolina.—Ammons, E. Taylor.
South Dakota.—K. Lange, R. Lange, Schumacher.
Tennessee.—Burns, Lawson.
Texas.—Bearden, Becker, Bradford, Hassell, Holcomb, M. Kleberg, R. Kleberg, Mouton, Poss, Price, Seeger, Sewell.
Utah.—Anderson, Marshall.
Virginia.—Christian, Figgers, Yates.
Washington.—Conway, Gage, Lockhart, Lucas.
West Virginia.—Ailstock, Henrichs, Herrold, McClung, McIntosh, Stout.
Wisconsin.—Falberg, Kressin, Kubis, Schmidt, Stafford, Wukadinovich.
Wyoming.—Garretson, Watson.
Canada.—Barr, Nathanson, Schwartzman.

KENDALL SCHOOL PUPILS

District of Columbia.—Bailey, Baker, Barton, Bowers, Burgee, Burton, Carman, Chedester, Colbert, Collins, Crouch, Darley, Davis, Ebbert, French, Gerrard, Harper, Heurick, Hoberman, Holtzelaw, Hull, Hunter, Insley, Jenkins, Keaton, Koeker, Lowe, G. Lusby, J. Lusby, McGahan, McGivern, Miller, Moore, Moriconi, Newton, Orris, Padow, Poole, Ramsey, P. Richey, V. Richey, B. Rose, J. Rose, Sepulveda, Sisson, Smith, St. Clair, Stone, Talley, G. Thomas, Tuccinardi, Upchurch, Weimer, Wolohan, Zimmerman.
Illinois.—Merutka.
Maryland.—Conger, Parker.
Minnesota.—Bennett.
New York.—Donovan.
North Carolina.—H. Brower, W. Brower.
Ohio.—Daulton, Whitacre.
South Carolina.—Taylor.
Texas.—Renick.
Virginia.—Baker, Elkner, Ellis, McConchie, Zimmerman.
West Virginia.—Burgess.

*NINETIETH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE
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Kendall Green, Washington 2, D.C.

GENERAL STATEMENT

The work of the Columbia Institution for the Deaf is devoted to the instruction of deaf persons. The Institution is composed of four departments as follows: Kendall School, Gallaudet College, the Normal Department and the Research Department. The aim of the Institution is to further the advancement of deaf persons through various educational means and through research work.

KENDALL SCHOOL

This department is for the younger deaf children of the District of Columbia. This past year the enrollment was 71, 54 of whom were from the District of Columbia and 17 from out of town.

The work of the Kendall School extends through all grades up to college entrance. The oral method of instruction is used in this department. However, there are children who cannot progress orally, and we are, therefore, prepared to use any and all methods which will bring results. The hard of hearing children of the District are educated in day classes in the Public School System. Occasionally some of those sent to us by the District authorities have some residual hearing and we have multiple hearing aids for these students.

This past year a class for preschool-age deaf children was started. The results of this work were so encouraging that we expect and plan an expansion of this project.

Some pre-vocational work is provided the students in this school. We find that upon completion of their work in Kendall School the

students have little difficulty in getting positions which enable them to support themselves.

GALLAUDET COLLEGE

This department of the Columbia Institution for the Deaf was established in 1864 by act of Congress. It is for deaf students throughout the United States whose hearing loss is so great that they cannot succeed in colleges for hearing students. A liberal arts course is offered those who pass the entrance examinations. This past year we had students from 35 states, the District of Columbia and Canada.

Gallaudet College requires of its students a preliminary year, or preparatory year, so that we may be certain their normal high school work has been completed. Most of the entrants come to us directly from the state schools for the deaf throughout the country with an average of 11.7 school years.

The curriculum of the college is similar to that of any other American college which offers 4 years of work towards a Bachelor's degree. Courses provide basic training in chemistry, bacteriology, the graphic arts, foods and clothing, and training for a teaching career. Many of our graduates go into the teaching profession in the various schools for the deaf and have been exceedingly successful in this field.

The methods of instruction used in the college are determined by the needs of the courses. Usually the manual means of communication is used combined with the use of speech and lip reading. Very few of these college students have any remnant of hearing left; acoustic aids are provided for those who do. Special instruction is provided in speech and lip reading. The college also has a visual aid department with expanding services.

Students show a decided interest in literature, particularly poetry. Their contributions have won high acclaim in literary contests in competition with students from other colleges and universities. A similar interest is shown in dramatics. The students produce and stage their own plays in the college auditorium.

The athletic program of the college consists of intra-mural activities and also inter-collegiate competition. The college is a member of the Mason-Dixon Conference, which is composed of 13 colleges and universities in this area. Competition includes baseball, football, basketball, wrestling, cross country and track.

NORMAL DEPARTMENT

This department is for hearing young men and women who wish to teach the deaf. They must be graduates of accredited colleges before they may be admitted for this training course. This past year the enrollment in this department included 4 women and 8 men. Five of the men were veterans. This department has been singularly successful in the number of graduates who have gone into administrative work in our profession. At the present time a large proportion of the superintendents of the state schools for the deaf are men who took their training for work with the deaf in this department. Last year there were a total of 47 teachers training for work with the deaf in training classes in the United States. Of this number 12 were enrolled in the class here at Gallaudet College.

RESEARCH DEPARTMENT

This is a growing department and was originated to meet the demand of the schools for the deaf in the United States for some central point where research work could be carried for the advancement of the education of the deaf in this nation. As the department grows, the Columbia Institution for the Deaf will bear an increasingly large responsibility for the development of better techniques in the education of the deaf and hard of hearing child.

ATTENDANCE

During the fiscal year July 1, 1946, through June 30, 1947, there were under instruction in the advanced department of the Institution 92 men and 70 women, a total of 162, representing 35 states, the District of Columbia, and Canada. This is an increase of 9 as compared with the preceding year.

In the Kendall School there were under instruction 34 boys and 37 girls, a total of 71. This is an increase of 14 as compared with the preceding year.

Of the total in the Institution 59 were admitted as beneficiaries of the District of Columbia.

There were admitted to the Institution 29 males and 31 females; discharged 18 males and 17 females.

HEALTH

The health program has been broadened with the employment of a full-time resident nurse. There were no unusual epidemics during the year. Dr. Frances Foye continued as physician for the girls and Dr. Richard Todd carried on his work with the boys. A change was made in the financial responsibility for hospitalization outside the Institution. The parents were asked to take care of this expense and they responded well in all cases. Tuberculosis x-rays were given again to new students and new employees. A full-time dietitian was added to the staff during the year, insuring balanced diets for the students and others at all times. A new refrigeration unit was installed including regular refrigeration and also a deep-freeze unit. This makes our refrigeration unit complete in every respect.

SURVEYS

The survey of the Columbia Institution for the Deaf, conducted by Dr. Harry Best at the invitation of the Federal Security Agency, was presented during the year. It is a full report covering the history of the Institution from its beginning to the present time. Recommendations are brought out for the future conduct of the Institution. It is hoped that this fine report will enlarge the program so that all the deaf in the nation who are capable of higher education may enter the college department.

The Public Buildings Administration continued its study of the Columbia Institution for the Deaf. Detailed plans for a future building program have been drawn up based on a proposed increased enrollment. These plans are to be available by October 1, 1947, to the Federal Security Agency for presentation to the Congress.

These two surveys are but the beginning of a concentrated effort to place the Institution in a much better position to provide the leadership in the education of the deaf for which it was founded.

**STATEMENT OF THE BUSINESS MANAGER OF
CURRENT RECEIPTS AND EXPENSES FOR
THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1947**

RECEIPTS

United States Appropriation, Salaries and Expenses	\$221,800.00
United States Appropriation, Plans and Specification	7,500.00
Public Law 46	26,000.00
Total United States Appropriations	255,300.00
Received for Tuitions	48,700.00
Sundry Receipts	9,621.38
Reserved for obligations unpaid July 1, 1946	921.85
Special Deposit balance on hand July 1, 1946	11,268.42
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$325,811.65

EXPENSES

Personal Services	\$202,937.36
Travel	612.58
Transportation of things	84.37
Communication Services	1,807.48
Rents and Public Utilities	4,978.65
Printing and Binding	76.25
Other Contractual Services	16,187.69
Other Contractual Services *	7,500.00
Supplies and Materials	65,785.13
Equipment	11,922.68
Pensions, Annuities and Insurance Losses	1,000.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	312,892.19
To be returned to the U. S. Treasury	2,104.61
Special Deposit obligations unpaid, June 30, 1947	9,039.36
Special Deposit free balance, June 30, 1947	1,774.99
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$325,811.65

*Transferred to Public Works Administration for plans and specifications for alterations and new buildings.

TREASURER'S REPORT OF INVESTED FUNDS

Face or maturity value of invested funds	\$ 75,483.00
Cash on hand June 30, 1946	3,170.95
Cash receipts and income on invested funds	4,482.89
Total cash accountability	12,923.60
Total expenses (including disbursements)	9,752.65
Cash balance, June 30, 1947	8,440.71

GALLAUDET MEMORIAL BUILDING FUND

(No expenditures)

Face or maturity value of securities and cash	\$ 96,754.61
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EXERCISES OF PRESENTATION DAY

The eighty-third commencement of the collegiate department was held in the Chapel on Saturday, May 31. The invocation was offered by the Reverend Otto B. Berg, Episcopal Missionary to the Deaf.

Three members of the student body, Miss Jean B. Lucas, '48, Miss Abigail Yowell, '48, and Miss Mildred Jean Folsom, '49, presented "America the Beautiful" in the language of signs. Miss Earline Becker, of the graduating class, gave a talk on "Science and Life." Another member of the class, Mr. Mervin Garretson, gave a talk entitled, "To You Who Do Not Understand." Miss Ruby Miller, also of the graduating class, presented an original poem, "Nostalgia for Indiana."

The following were granted degrees:—

MASTER OF ARTS IN THE NORMAL DEPARTMENT

Richard Owen Davis, B.Ed., Minnesota State Teachers College, Bemidji
 Waldo Nichols Heber, B.S., Bradley Polytechnic Institute
 Ben Earl Hoffmeyer, B.S., Washington University
 Erwin Webster Marshall, B.A., Whittier College
 Ralph Frederick Neesam, B.S., University of Wisconsin
 Myrthel Sophia Nelson, B.A., Great Falls College of Education
 Edward William Reay, B.A., Illinois College; M.S.,
 Massachusetts State College, Amherst
 Helen Lucille Simpson, B.A., Willamette University
 Herbert Simpson, B.A., Willamette University
 Polly Joy Topping, B.S., University of Wisconsin
 Armin George Turechek, B.S., Washington University

CERTIFICATE IN THE NORMAL DEPARTMENT

Grace Harris Bardes, Pennsylvania State Teachers College, Indiana

MASTER OF ARTS IN COURSE

Guilbert Campbell Braddock, B.A., Virginia
 Stephen William Koziar, B.A., Missouri

BACHELOR OF ARTS

Earline Becker, Texas
 Thomas George Fishler, Colorado
 Linette Freret, Louisiana
 Mervin D. Garretson, Colorado
 Roy Kay Holcomb, Texas
 William Calton James, North Carolina

Marvin Marshall, Utah
 John B. McDaniel, Kentucky
 Ruby Elizabeth Miller, Indiana
 Agnes V. Minor, District of Columbia
 Cecil Nathanson, Manitoba, Canada
 Majoriebell Stakley, Ohio

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Jason Wister Ammons, South Carolina
Norma M. Bushey, Ohio
Mary Dorothea Cuscaden, Nebraska
Rudolph Craver Hines, Maryland
Robert Eugene Kleberg, Texas
Keith F. Lange, South Dakota

Mary Frances Miller, Missouri
Hester West Parsons, California
Irene Evangeline Quidas, Maryland
Ernest Michael Schuster, New York
Robert Stanley, California

MASTER OF SCIENCE, HONORARY

David Friedman, B. S., Chemist, Cleveland, Ohio

DOCTOR OF HUMANE LETTERS, HONARARY

Ethel Acuff Poore, B.A., Superintendent, Tennessee School for the Deaf

The address to the graduating class and friends of the college was delivered by Dr. Ethel Acuff Poore, Superintendent of the Tennessee School for the Deaf.

The Reverend Guilbert C. Braddock, Protestant-Episcopal Missionary to the Deaf, offered the benediction.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

PERCIVAL HALL, *President*